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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 16, 2005

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed December 16, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as indicated in the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks which begin on page 7 of this paper.

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